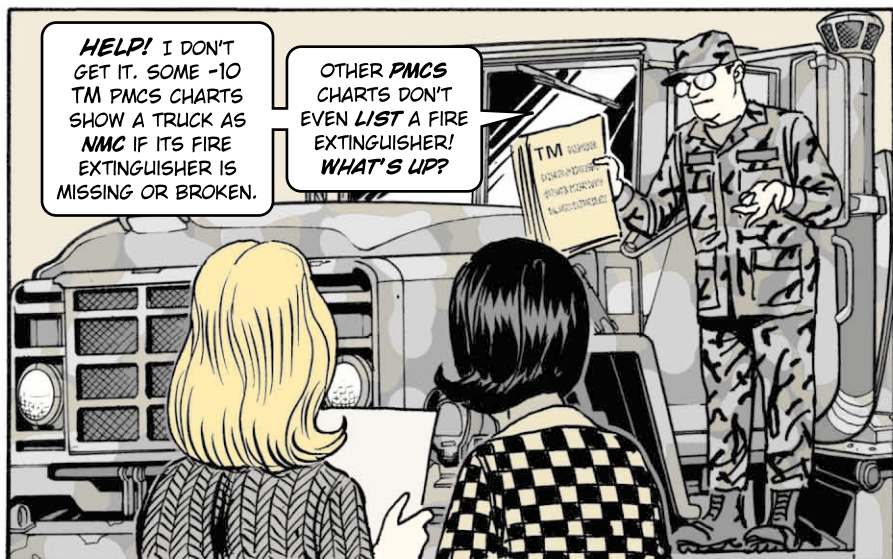


# Fire Extinguishers: Essential or Not?



**HELP!** I DON'T GET IT. SOME -10 TM PMCS CHARTS SHOW A TRUCK AS **NMC** IF ITS FIRE EXTINGUISHER IS MISSING OR BROKEN.

OTHER **PMCS** CHARTS DON'T EVEN **LIST** A FIRE EXTINGUISHER! **WHAT'S UP?**

IF A FIRE EXTINGUISHER IS ISSUED AS A BASIC ISSUE ITEM (**BI**) ON YOUR TRUCK, THEN THE FIRE EXTINGUISHER IS **ESSENTIAL** AND MUST BE OPERATIONAL AND **WITH** THE TRUCK AT ALL TIMES.

OTHERWISE, YOUR TRUCK IS **NMC** AND MUST BE **DEADLINED** UNTIL AN OPERATING FIRE EXTINGUISHER IS AVAILABLE.

OTHER CONDITIONS THAT CAN DEADLINE YOUR VEHICLE ARE FOUND IN **PARA 2-12H OF AR 385-55**.

IF THE EXTINGUISHER IS ISSUED ON YOUR ADDITIONAL AUTHORIZATION LIST, THEN IT IS **NOT** MISSION ESSENTIAL. SO, YOUR TRUCK IS **FULLY MISSION CAPABLE** EVEN IF YOUR FIRE EXTINGUISHER IS MISSING OR NOT WORKING.